

TO: Chairman and Members of the Board

DATE: May 9, 2013

**SUBJECT: Authorization to Establish an Executive Steering Committee
to Guide the Request for Proposals Process for the 2013/14
California Gang Reduction, Intervention and Prevention (CalGRIP)
Funding in the Approximate Amount of Amount of 9.215 million**

AGENDA ITEM: C

**ACTION: X
INFORMATION:**

RESOURCE PERSON: Oscar E. Villegas

Summary: By July or August of this year the BSCC anticipates releasing a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the California Gang Reduction, Intervention and Prevention Program (CalGRIP). In preparation for releasing this RFP, this agenda item serves to accomplish one or more of the following actions: (1) request the Board appoint one of its members to serve as chair of the Executive Steering Committee to oversee this process, and (2) entertain recommendations from the Gang Issues Standing Committee to establish an Executive Steering Committee (ESC), and (3) authorize staff to work with the chair of the ESC to prepare and release the RFP.

Background: In 2007, the governor initiated the CalGRIP program as an anti-gang initiative to help communities support various prevention, intervention or suppression strategies to reduce gang and youth violence. The program was originally administered by the Governor's Office of Gang and Youth Violence Policy, and most recently by the California Emergency Management Agency (CalEMA). Effective July 1, 2012, the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) assumed responsibility for administering the CalGRIP program. There are currently 55 active CalGRIP grants, 35 were inherited by the BSCC from CalEMA, and 20 grants were put into grant award by the BSCC in January.

Earlier this year, the Board authorized the establishment of a Standing Committee on Gang Issues and appointed Board member David Maggard as the chair of the committee. The purpose of the standing committee is to support the Board in fulfilling its responsibility for addressing gang problems pursuant to BSCC's legislative mandates pertaining to gangs. The committee will meet for the first time on May 3, 2013 and one of the items the committee might explore is providing recommendations to the Board for establishing the next CalGRIP RFP. These recommendations could be presented to the Board for consideration at the May 9, 2013 meeting.

Recommendation/Action Needed:

Staff is requesting the Board appoint a Board member to serve as chair of the CalGRIP ESC, authorize staff to work with the chair to identify other subject matter experts to serve on the ESC, and provide any feedback regarding the upcoming RFP process.

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